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FPPC Agenda Includes Rules for Officeholder Accounts

The Fair Political Practices Commission on **Thursday (June 14)** will consider adopting a regulation providing the basic rules for establishing, operating, and terminating state officeholder committees and accounts. The monthly enforcement calendar is also among the items listed in the agenda.

The commission's regular monthly meeting begins at 10:00 a.m. in the FPPC's eighth-floor hearing room at 428 J St. (Fifth and J Streets) in Sacramento.

In 2006, legislation was adopted on an urgent basis allowing the creation of additional accounts to pay for expenses incurred as a state officeholder. This change required the commission to adopt temporary, emergency regulations. Commission staff will present, for adoption, a single regulation incorporating these changes. The new regulation also adds provisions to address concerns with the 2006 law dealing with the potential for individuals to raise contributions in excess of established limits and issues dealing with the termination of these officeholder committees.

The five member commission will also consider:

- Amendments to commission regulations requiring, among other things, the general counsel or an attorney from the legal division and the commission assistant to attend the closed session portion of commission hearings when discussing deliberations on civil enforcement litigation;
- An advice letter clarifying when payments for certain expenses related to fundraising are subject to contribution limits;
- A proposed regulation addressing requirements of a disclosure statement for telephone calls that are paid for by a candidate, committee and others;
- Revisions to the 2007 regulatory work-plan calendar.